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SUMMARY: JAPANESE SUBCOMMITTEE ON SECONDARY EDUCATION
WILL BE FORMED AFTER U.S. SUBCOMMITTEE; PREFER JOINT
MEETING IN TOKYO. CULCON VII DATES TO BE PROPOSED
NEXT MONTH. END SUMMARY.

1. EMBASSY WELCOMES HEW STRONG INTEREST AND ACTION TO
FORM EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE SOON.

2. AS SOON AS U.S. SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP DECIDED
REQUEST NAMES AND POSITIONS TO PASS TO JAPANESE SIDE.
JAPANESE PREFER TO FOLLOW U.S. LEAD AND FORM SUB-
COMMITTEE REFLECTING COUNTERPART INTERESTS. IF THIS
INFO AVAILABLE SOON, EXPECT RESPONSE AFTER GAIMUSHO-
MOMBUSHO MEETINGS AND BEFORE END OF SEPTEMBER, I.E.
JAPAN SUBCOMMITTEE COMPOSITION AND PROPOSED DATE FOR
MEETING OF SUBCOMMITTEES.

3. STRONGLY URGE SUBCOMMITTEES MEET TOGETHER IN TOKYO,
NOT HAWAII. THIS VIEW SUPPORTED BY PROFESSOR HALL WHO
SAYS HORI ADVISED HIM THAT BECAUSE OF JAPANESE LACK OF
ENTHUSIASM IN SECONDARY EDUCATION THEME AMERICANS SHOULD
COME TO TOKYO TO UNDERLINE INTEREST. PROFESSOR HALL
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POINTS OUT THIS IS NOT A MATTER OF COST SHARING AS MUCH

AS GETTING JAPANESE SIDE TO SHARE INTEREST AND BURDEN.
HALL SUGGESTS THAT EVEN IF ENTIRE SUBCOMMITTEE CAN'T.
COME TO TOKYO, MAYBE THREE OR FOUR REPRESENTATIVES WOULD
BE ENOUGH TO BESTIR SOME ENTHUSIASM.

4. BY OCTOBER 1 JAPANESE SIDE WILL PROBABLY DECIDE DATE
TO PROPOSE FOR CULCON VII. PROBABLY MAY OR JUNE. JULY-
AUGUST SUGGESTION BY ASST SECRETARY MARLAND NOT LIKELY TO
BE ACCEPTED. PROFESSOR HALL VERY SKEPTICAL, DOUBTS CON-
VENIENCE TO OTHER DELEGATES PARTICULARLY SINCE SCHOOLS
NOT THE ONLY FOCUS OF CULCON. TOKYO WEATHER IS FORBID-
DING IN JULY AND AUGUST. EMBASSY PREFERS MAY-JUNE.

5. REQUEST SUBCOMMITTEE INFO PARA 2 SOONEST.
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